

House Resolution No. 2698

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State educational institutions that admirably provide exceptional learning environments in which youths are provided the resources, vision, and guidance needed to succeed as students and future societal leaders; and

Whereas, Blue Springs High School in the Blue Springs R-IV School District has attained distinction as a public secondary school which educates more than seventeen hundred students through the knowledge and skills of nearly one hundred ten certificated staffers; and

Whereas, Blue Springs High School recently enhanced its already stellar reputation by being the only school in Missouri to be selected as a GRAMMY Signature School on the basis of its overall score in a critiquing system which was applied by a panel of top music educators and professionals; and

Whereas, designation as a GRAMMY Signature School by the GRAMMY Foundation signifies that Blue Springs High School has done an outstanding job of maintaining and developing its arts and music programs despite a challenging economic climate; and

Whereas, one of only forty schools nationwide to be named GRAMMY Signature Schools, Blue Springs High School utilizes the arts for their rich potential to captivate and engage students in the process of learning and to help children become problem solvers, creative thinkers, and mentally disciplined individuals; and

Whereas, Blue Springs High School entered the GRAMMY Signature School selection process in September 2003 when it responded to a GRAMMY Foundation request for information about the school's music program; and

Whereas, after survey results were tabulated from the more than 25,000 public high schools contacted by the GRAMMY Foundation, finalist programs were asked to submit additional documentation such as recordings of school concerts, sample concert programs, and repertoire lists that were then reviewed by an independent screening committee to determine those schools which merited Signature School status:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the well-deserved selection of Blue Springs High School as a GRAMMY Signature School and to convey to all of those involved this legislative body's heartiest best wishes for continued, award-winning educational success for many more years to come; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Blue Springs High School.

Offered by _____
Representative Gary Dusenberg
District No. 54

Representative Bryan Pratt
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I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 2698, adopted May 5, 2004.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker